

#### 4, (0151) Fire Safe Council of Nevada County: Defensible Space Advisory Visit

This program, which began in 2006, involves a series of one-on-one visits that help formulate personally tailored solutions for residents to meet their state-mandated defensible space goals while at the same time passing along valuable information on fire behavior and ways to achieve true land stewardship of their individual properties. The “personal touch” allows inspection volunteers to provide clarity when they encounter confusion about what is required by the new defensible space regulations. It also offers the opportunity to share tools and referrals to licensed and experienced landscaping professionals as well as referrals to other sources of financial assistance in accomplishing necessary fuel reduction. These volunteers were trained by CAL FIRE, and the program receives ongoing monitoring by fire officials which ensures continuing program quality. Presentations to community groups, appearances on local radio shows, distribution of flyers and other outreach helps ensure the widest possible participation by residents.